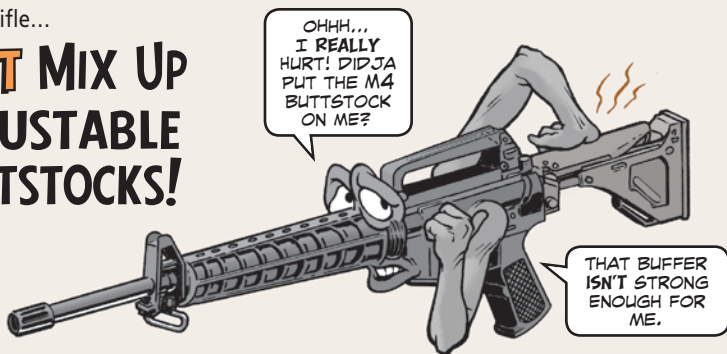


DON'T MIX UP ADJUSTABLE BUTTSTOCKS!



Dear Editor,

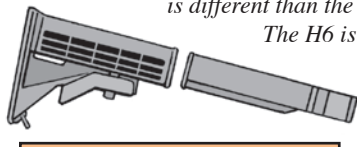
The hybrid buttstock kit, NSN 1005-01-569-6938, was added to the M16 rifle's AAL several years ago. But in my role as a weapon's inspector, I'm running into M16's that have been modified with the M4 collapsible buttstock instead of the hybrid buttstock.

Please alert your readers that the M16 hybrid buttstock and the M4 collapsible buttstock **can't** be interchanged.

Deryl Gensler II

Editor's note:

You're absolutely right, Sir. The M16 hybrid buttstock uses the H6 buffer, which is different than the M4's H/H2 buffer.



The H6 is designed only for the hybrid buttstock. It compensates for the different gas pressure of the M16 when combined with the M4 action spring.

M16 hybrid buttstock uses
different buffer than M4 buttstock

Using the carbine buffer with the hybrid buttstock on the M16 could cause functioning problems.

You can tell which buffer you have by checking its face. It will be stamped H, H2 or H6.

*Remember, the M16 hybrid buttstock is a **temporary** modification. Before an M16 is turned in for replacement or transfer, it must be returned to its original configuration. That's why you must save all the original buttstock parts when you install the hybrid buttstock.*

The hybrid buttstock should be installed only by a 91F small arms repairman.

The buttstock should come with a letter of instruction on how to install it. If it doesn't, contact Ken Hiltunen at (586) 282-1271 or email:

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